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SUBJECT: CIVAIR: VISIT TO MANILA OF US CIVAIR GROUP

REF: STATE 219369

1. WE HAVE DISCUSSED PROPOSED VISIT OF US CIVAIR GROUP
ON OCTOBER 11 TO 13 WITH PHILCAB EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR PACIFICO
AGCAOILI WHO AGREES TO DATES OFFERED. AGCAOILI STATES THAT
STANDING GOP PANEL CONSISTS OF FOLLOWING:

AGCAOILI HIMSELF AS CHAIRMAN;
ATTORNEY VESTA CAYUGAN, DFA;
ATTORNEY CONRADO DIMANO, PHILCAB SECRETARY;
MRS. SYLVIA ALEJANDRO, PAL;
FELIPE GOZON, PAL ATTORNEY;
VICTORIANO DUNGCA, PAL MARKETING;

2. UNTIL INFORMATION ON EXACT TIME OF ARRIVAL AND DE-
PARTURE IS AVAILABLE, WE SUGGEST THAT THE GOP HOST A
DINNER ON OCTOBER 11 AND THAT WE RECIPROCATATE ON OCTOBER 12.
THE LUNCH TIME ON OCTOBER 12 COULD BE USED FOR INTERNAL
DISCUSSION BY BOTH SIDES. THE FIRST SESSION COULD
BEGIN AT 0900 OR 1000 ON OCTOBER 12, CONTINUE THAT
AFTERNOON, AND RESUME THE NEXT DAY.

3. WE BELIEVE IT PRUDENT TO MEET WITH LOCAL PANAM,
NORTHWEST AND FLYING TIGER REPRESENTATIVES PRIOR TO
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THE CONSULTATIONS WITH THE GOP PANEL. IF THE TEAM

ARRIVES EARLY ENOUGH ON OCTOBER 11, THIS COULD BE SCHEDULED LATE OCTOBER 11 AFTERNOON, IF NOT, WE MAY HAVE TO DELAY FIRST SESSION ON OCTOBER 12 TO LATER HOUR.

4. IN MEANTIME, WE BELIEVE THAT ATMOSPHERE WOULD BE IMPROVED IF THE PAL DC-10 SEIZURE CASE COULD BE SETTLED BEFORE THE GROUP ARRIVES IN MANILA IN OCTOBER. IT APPEARS INJUDICIOUS FOR USG TO APPEAR TO LINK A JUDICIAL PROCEEDING WITH THE OUTCOME OF DIPLOMATIC NEGOTIATIONS, THAT IS, THE OUTLOOK FOR OPEN SKIES. THE FESTERING CASE SHOULD BE SETTLED AS SOON AS FEASIBLE, AND THE RECENT PAL OFFER IS A SIGNIFICANT BREAKTHROUGH WHICH WE SHOULD EXPLOIT.
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